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1. The following is a translation of the monthly report by the Communist Party Executive Board of the Province of Carinthia to the Central Committee for March 1950. Latzianka, also spelled Kalanka, is known to be a member of the Party Executive Board of Carinthia.
 - a. "As I pointed out in my situation report our provincial organization suffered some heavy losses in the course of the last four months. However, thanks to the endeavors of our activists we could regain a good deal of the lost ground within the last weeks. For example our Ferlach district headquarters succeeded in winning back the defecting functionaries in Rosenthal. The Ortler group, which was undoubtedly recruited by Tito agents, is being given 600 shillings per person per month. We will soon expose this group in our press and we are sure that this will settle the whole affair, for no party comrade will then have confidence in these men. By the way, the Yugoslav group has displayed little activity. However, the leaflets distributed by the Tito group have revealed a certain inertia from which the entire party organization suffers. Nevertheless I believe that we soon shall be able to overcome this deficiency, above all in this connection, we shall employ young men from the Free Austrian Youth as party functionaries. With this end in view we have entered into negotiations with the Central Headquarters of the Free Austrian Youth and request that we be given your support in this matter. During the reported period only 55 per-

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cent of the party dues could be collected, a fact which is also contributable to the infringements of the Tito group. It is of course understood that this situation exists only in the bilingual districts. In the other districts the party has lost none of its **strength** although it has not made major progress either. We lack trained functionaries. We have either lost them in the fight against the Tito group or they have become inactive. The Austrian Socialist Party is making all possible efforts to maintain its position in the factories. In the Bleiberg plants we could win a sizable number of votes, also in some factories in Villach the Unity List obtained the majority, while the Socialists lost votes. We cannot wage an open fight against the Socialists in the factories because we want to form a united front with them in our campaign against the mercenaries of capitalism, the Association of Independents and the Austrian People's Party, even though we must admit that in some factories in Upper Carinthia the Socialists together with the Association of Independents fought against the Communist functionaries. Financially the party organization showed a profit in March, whereas the publishing firm of the party suffered a deficit. A separate report on this situation will be submitted. Protective squads have been organized only in St. Veit, Klagenfurt and Villach because we are short of functionaries and do not want to neglect the party activities proper. The members of the Provincial Executive Board are convinced that in spite of all the treacherous machinations of some former party members the Communist Party will soon regain its old efficiency."

(s) Katzianka

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